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In re patent application of

Applicant: Tan Du et al.

Filed: Herewith

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MODELING MASS STORAGE DISK  
DRIVE MOTORS



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	5,028,852	07/02/91	Dunfield			
	5,057,753	10/15/91	Leuthold et al.			
	5,191,270	03/02/93	McCormack			
	5,327,053	07/05/94	Mann et al.			
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	5,384,527	01/24/95	Rozman et al.			
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	5,990,643	11/23/99	Holling et al.			

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